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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to express my full support of the recent antitrust settlement between Microsoft and the US Department of Justice. I am glad to see that Microsoft will not be broken up, but the rest of the concessions seem fair. In order to increase competition in the tech market, Microsoft will agree to share information about how Windows works with its competitors. This information will allow them to place their own programs on Microsoft's operating system, and to better compete with Microsoft.

I am a firm believer in free enterprise and a fan of what Microsoft has accomplished in the last 10 years. There are many large companies that also could be targeted, which leads me to believe their suits are serving political interests than public ones.

I support the settlement and look forward to seeing it implemented soon. This settlement will enable the country to move forward again.

Sincerely,

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